## SELF RELIANCE OF BADEN-POWELL

He Comes Naturally By His Fighting and Staying Qualities.

Special Corresponder ce of The Florida Star. London, May 22.-All eyes are on Baden-Powell, the hero of Mafeking and of the British empire. His military career is known by everybody in the world who can read, and his history affords another demonstration of the fact that such men are born and not

book on scouting indicate his own character. Here they are: "Self reliance is the ability to act on your own hook-to be able to see what is the right line to take according to circumstances, to use your own intelli-

made. Two statements in his famous

gence and act on it.

"Discretion, according to some people, is readiness to back out of a job if you see there is any danger in it. I don't mean that. I mean by discretion sufficient cool headedness to see how by using your pluck and self reliance you lies and gowns entire. can go into the danger and get through it all right."

This is what a correspondent in Mafeking, writing in the most hopeless period of the siege, says about the city's defender: "We have learned that Pretoria is pressing Snyman to try and take Mafeking and then get south to help the Free Staters. They want him to explain the cause of the delay. He has been for four months 2,000 yards from the town with a large force. Why has he not taken it? Snyman can't say. The thing must be Providence. We know why old Snyman hasn't done it. It is because he can't. No doubt it is Providence, but we don't forget Baden-Powell."

"B.-P.," as he is popularly called, comes naturally by his fighting and Nelson blood in his veins.

The father of Colonel Baden-Powel! was from 1827 to 1860, the year of his death, Savilian professor of geometry at Oxford. He matriculated from Oriel college in that university in the spring back. The plaits flare gracefully around of 1814 and graduated B. A. in 1817 | the bottom of the skirt, which is cut with with first class honors in mathematics. In 1820 he was ordained to the curacy of Midhurst, and in 1821 obtained the vicarage of Plumstead in Kent. It was while he was vicar of Plumstead that Mr. Baden-Powell became a fellow



MRS, BADEN-POWELL, MOTHER OF THE HERO OF MAFERING.

worker with Herschel, Babbage and Airy, and his ability in his scientific researches in optics and radiation was recognized by his election as F. R. S. in 1824 and by his appointment in 1827 to the Savilian chair of geometry. On becoming professor Mr. Baden-Powell resigned his living and devoted his time to literary and scientific work, in which he achieved considerable reputa-

Professor Baden-Powell was twice married. His first wife was Charlotte Pope, who died in 1814, and his second wife was Henrietta Grace Smyth, daughter of Admiral William Henry Smyth. By his first wife he had three daughters and a son, Baden Henry Powell, judge of the chief court of Lahore, and a writer of Indian law and land tenure. By his second wife, the present Mrs. Baden-Powell, the mother of our hero, he had five sons and one

Admiral William Henry Smyth, our hero's maternal grandfather, was the son of J. B. Palmer Smyth, who claimed descent from Captain John Smith of Virginia (1580-1631) and owned large estates in New Jersey, which, as a royalist, he lost when the North American colonies obtained their independence.

With such a pedigree it might be supposed that Colonel Baden-Powell would be a very unbending personage. Nothing could be further from the fact. He is the life of every sort of society in which he is thrown and many stories are told of the way in which he has entertained his fellow passengers on ocean voyages and in desolate places on land. Indeed one of the chief factors in keeping up the spirits of the hungry people of Mafeking during the slege has been a system of light amusements under the direction of the versatile commander. Colonel Baden-Powell is an artist of much talent, and the family home in England is decorated with several of his paint-

ings. Several of his artistic efforts have also appeared in the London illusstrated paper. "B,-P." is a shining example of the fact that a good soldier can be something else than a fighting machine, and, after all, there is nothing in this world quite so noble as being a gentleman unless it may be being a lady, and Baden-Powell is everything good but that.

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#### THE DRESS MODEL.

Durable twilled silks of various kinds are being revived. They are used for waists, linings, underskirts, sash draper-

The fancy still continues for moussellne de soie and chiffon yokes and guimpes on all sorts of bodices to wear

under tailor made jackets and waists. Tiny gold buttons are again used by French ateliers on gowns of ceremony formed of white cloth, drap d'ete, lace, net, chiffon, crepe de chine and veiling.

Fine sheer nainsook embroideries, with medallions of lace introduced here and there, add effective variety to the season's handsome dress trimmings for thin ummer gowns.

Pink and white or violet and pale green pond lilies trim some of the large round hats otherwise decorated with choux and loops of chiffon or mousseline de soie and black velvet ribbon of generous width.

In attempting to originate something novel in the shape of evening bodices the old time corsclet models have been revived. Some of the gored skirt tops are staying qualities. There is a strain of finished in this form instead of ending at the belt. They are very little decorated.

One of the most satisfactory skirt models for making up light sheer wools for summer wear is cut in circular shape, with plain panel front, medium wide side plaits and a shapely box plait at the

At their first introduction there were many doubts and conjectures concerning the fate of plaited skirts, but the matter is settled for the summer season at least, for among the models in many other styles are prominently set forth the plaited waists and skirts arranged in every

Among new French jacket and basque bodice models are those made with front dart and side seams at the back that extend to the shoulders. These gracefully curved lines impart a look of slenderness and extra length to the form and are therefore particularly desirable for women of full figure.-New York Post.

#### GLEANINGS.

In an office building in Chicago a 215 pound janitor is called "Cherub," and an elevator boy, whose weight is 105, is known as "Ox."

The timber supply of Georgia has been estimated by lumbermen of that state as sufficient to last only nine years at the present rate of sawing, 2,600,000

The American Mode club is a recent addition to New York clubdom. The purpose of the organization is not to exterminate the little rodents, but to develop fine species.

"Incircumscriptibleness," meaning incapable of limitation, has been admitted into Dr. Murray's new English dictionary on the strength of its use by a covenanting Byfield of the seventeenth century.

In Brazil parents and guardians may before consenting to the marriage of their charges, require a medical certifi cate from the bride or bridegroom certifying that he or she has been vaccinated.

All tourists in Egypt are expected to go inside the pyramids. The entrance is a long tunnel chute, or inclined plane, three or four feet wide, whose bottom and sides are polished stone. It is very dark, and candles are used.

#### CHIPS FROM CHINA.

Our trade with China increased more than two and one-half fold in seven years, and all this increase came to us without either lighting anybody or making an open door bargain with anybody. -Chicago Chronicle.

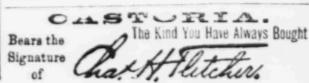
The United States probably occupies a stronger position in China today than any other nation in the world, and this condition has been brought about because the United States has exhibited none of the spirit of greed that has characterized European nations.-St. Joseph

Americans have yet to learn that the Chinese are very shrewd and worldly wise, that they are a nation of traders, with successful merchants, large exporting houses, etc., and that they know how to look after their own interests as well as any people on earth.-Indianapolis Journal.

Chinese hunger for the things of west ern civilization is being aroused-trifles like the kodak stimulate it wonderfullyand it will soon be seen that we can hardly build ships fast enough to earry to that wondrous market the American products for which it is daily becoming more eager.-St. Paul Pioneer Press.

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"I chased her a mile and a half in a pouring rain." 'Catch her?"

"Yes. But when I got the old thing back to our yard I found out she wasn't our cow."-Indianapolis Journal.

#### The Spider's Invitation.

"Will you walk into my parlor?" Said the spider to the fly. "Tis the prettiest little parlor That ever you did spy. The carpet has been taken up

And shaken in the sun;

The curtains have been taken down And laundered, every one. The paper on the walls is new, The rugs from dust are free,

For now, at last, I am quite through With cleaning house, you see.' -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### Not Even Once.

Mabel (apropos of new evening dress, which has just arrived from the dressmaker)-Oh, mother, how levely! Do wear it tonight! Mother-No, dear, not tenight. This

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Mabel-Mother, dear, do let's pretend, just for once, that father's a gentleman! -Punch.

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Mr. Clark of Montana may take occasion to remind Mr. Daly that one losing hand does not decide a game and that he has a number of chips left.-Washing-

Herbert Spencer has just celebrated his eightieth birthday. Forty years ago the doctors decided that he could not live, but Mr. Spencer very sensibly decided otherwise.-Minneapolis Journal.

Andrew Carnegie has gone to Europe for rest and recreation, after having been tied down to the Florida golf links all winter. This thing of being rich is terribly oppressive.-Chicago Times-Herald.

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